

ness out of life. It is not the tendency of the Christian religion to make life narrow, but to make it broad and deep and grand. To the disciples of Christ life is beautiful and noble. They are happy in their homes, in their business, and in their work. A Christian may be successful in his worldly pursuits and accumulate money. When this is the case he will be found using his money for the good of his fellow-men and making the world better by this added power. He may be unsuccessful in business and live in poverty. If so, he will not murmur nor complain, but bless the world with his poverty far more than many ungodly men do with their wealth.

That man who spends all his time and energy on himself, seeking only to increase his store of worldly good and to extend his personal reputation, is always miserable and makes others miserable. But one who gives his life away to God and humanity saves it and makes it noble. His life is hid with Christ in God, and nothing can harm him. If the young ruler who came to Jesus inquiring, "What good thing shall I do?" had literally followed the command of the Lord to go, sell all, give to the poor, and become a disciple, he would not only have had treasure in heaven, but his life here would have been grand. Instead of being remembered as a nameless rich man he would be remembered as Peter and Paul are now remembered. The Master could have made as noble a hero out of the young ruler as he made out of Saul of Tarsus. Then the Church would have been richer, the world would have been richer, and perhaps the Bible would have been richer. For who shall say that we might not have had a gospel or an inspired epistle written by the young ruler? However that may be, it is certain that his life, instead of being cramped into a narrow corner and extinguished by selfishness and covetousness, would have become a splendid light which would have illuminated every continent and blessed every shore.

Miss Helen Gould, whose father left her a large fortune, besides giving a hundred thousand dollars to the government at the beginning of the war with Spain, has devoted her time and large sums of money to the comfort and relief of sick and wounded soldiers during the past summer. Moving among the suffering in the hospitals like an angel of mercy, by personal ministry she has contributed what she could to this Christian work. She is said to have stated a few days ago that she had no idea that one could get so much happiness out of money. Those whose only idea of the use of money is to spend it for themselves cannot get happiness out of it at all. But one who has learned the secret that it is more blessed to give than to receive knows how to get happiness out of any condition.

If one should carry his arm in a sling to save his strength for himself, he would paralyze his energies. But one who uses his arm for some good purpose in the world will save it. If a man should lock up his intellectual faculties and treasures in his own brain and

keep them for his own enjoyment, he would soon lose them. But those who scatter their thoughts abroad for the good of others shall increase in strength. If a man should lock up his heart from the world and spend all his love on himself, the stream of his affections would soon dry up. But he who opens his heart wide and pours out his love and sympathy on a suffering and needy world will find that stream increasing in volume and in power to bless both himself and all men.

"Is thy curse of comfort wasting?
Rise and share it with another,
And thru all the years of famine
It shall serve thee and thy brother.
Love divine will fill thy storehouse,
Or thy handful still renew;
Scanty fare for one will often
Make a royal meal for two;
For the heart grows rich in giving;
All its wealth is living grain;
Seeds which mildew in the garner,
Scattered, fill with gold the plain."

The Poverty of Christ

O my King, and was it so,
Didst thou suffer all this woe?
Didst thou wander thus forlorn,
Bearing poverty and scorn;
Lord of all the realms above,
Reft of home and human love,
In the world that thou hadst made,
Nowhere couldst thou lay thy head?

If we could at all conceive
All the glory thou didst leave,
All the splendor of the throne
That for us thou didst disown;
Catch but one imperfect ray
Of thine everlasting day,
And in that supernal light
See thy majesty aright.

How could we believe that thou
To these human griefs couldst bow;
How, amidst these lower things,
Recognize the King of kings;
Washing the disciples' feet,
Sitting with the poor at meat,
Bearing daily pain and loss,
Dying on the shameful cross!

Only as thyself hath shown
What the glory of thy throne,
What in all the realms of light
Is the source of chief delight,
What in all thy life below
Made thee bear thy load of woe;
By the truth all truth above,
We know thee God, for "God is love."

—New York Observer.

The Mission Field

July Report of the Missionary Board of the Brethren Church

RECEIPTS GENERAL FUND

M A S, Glovers Gap, W. Va.,	\$ 5 00
Mrs C F, Waterloo, Iowa,	1 00
Mr and Mrs S H, Waterloo, Iowa,	5 00
A S, Waterloo, Iowa,	50
M S, "	60
E H, "	50
V W, "	30
B H, "	15
C B, "	2 25
B H, "	96
C S, "	10 00
Barrel Offering, Waterloo, Iowa,	2 72
I D S, Ashland, Ohio,	1 00
J S C S, Marysville, Mo,	75
Michigan,	50

J A M, Ashland, Ohio,	50
A D G, "	50
National S S C E,	20 00
W and I M, Nevada, Mo,	2 00
A J H, Portis, Kans,	1 00
B and C E, Panthes, Iowa,	1 00
A friend, Neb,	10 00
H C W, Lansdale, Pa,	1 00
U C N, Herrington, Kans,	3 00
L S, Sterling, Ill,	3 00
A sister, Downsville, Md,	25
A sister, Columbus, Ohio,	35
Y P S C E, Oakville, Ind,	1 40
Children's meeting, Oakville, Ind,	1 60

\$76 83

DAYTON FUND

National S S C E,	10 00
King's Children, Milledgeville, Ill,	4 00

\$14 00

CHICAGO FUND

A friend, Garrison, Iowa,	80
A R, Williamstown, Ohio,	1 50
R R, "	50
Missionary Convention, Mexico, Ind,	2 20
Offerings Chicago Mission,	15 44
Col. Missionary Convention, Roann, Ind,	14 65
Sunday-school, Roann, Ind,	2 63
King's Childred, "	2 60
Junior K C,	1 00
Mt Pleasant church, Ohio,	6 25
S S C E, Mt Pleasant, Ohio,	1 00
Sunday-school, "	1 00

\$49 57

WASHINGTON FUND

Ladies' Aid Society, Hagerstown, Md,	5 50
Mrs E N, Roanoke, Va,	9 00
Penn S S C E,	5 00
Johnstown Brethren church,	5 00
S B, Altoona,	1 00
Offerings Washington City church,	16 30
E A, Chadsville, Pa,	50
W G G, "	1 00
M R G, "	50

\$43 80

General fund,	\$76 83
Dayton fund,	14 00
Chicago fund,	49 57
Washington fund,	43 80

Total,	184 20
Receipts previously reported,	1672 66

Total receipts, 1856 86

EXPENDITURES

To order No 67, W M Lyon,	\$25 00
To amt paid direct to J O Talley,	41 32
To order No 68, "	25 00
To order No 69, Zed H. Copp,	15 00
To amt paid direct to W M Lyon,	36 30
To order No 70, W M Lyon,	27 79

Total payment,	\$170 41
Expenditures previously reported,	\$1674 97

\$1845 38

Total receipts,	\$1856 86
Total expenditures,	1845 38

Balance in hand, \$11 48

FOREIGN FUND RECEIPTS

J S C S, Marysville, Mo,	50
S B B, Waterloo, Iowa,	36 00

\$36 50

Amount previously reported, \$319 26

Balance in hand, \$355 76

The receipts of July covered the expenses for the month but the receipts of the year leave the Board in debt over one hundred dollars and as the expenses